GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA

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Opening of New Medical Colleges and Nursing Colleges
Pathak Smt. Riti

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Government and private nursing colleges in the country along with the seats available therein, State/UTwise;

(b) whether the Government proposes to open new medical and nursing colleges in the country and if so, the details thereof indicating the funds released for the purpose, State/UT-wise including Maharashtra and Rajasthan;

(c) whether there is an acute shortage of faculty members/ teachers in the specialised streams in various medical colleges and if so, the details thereof and corrective measures taken by the Government in this regard; and

(d) whether the Government has any proposal to upgrade the existing Government medical colleges and institutes and if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise along with the time by which the said proposal is likely to be implemented?

Answer

ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND
FAMILY WELFARE
(SHRI FAGGAN SINGH KULASTE)
(a): The state-wise number of nursing colleges under Government as well as in private sector along with the seat available in the country is enclosed at Annexure-I.

(b): Under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Establishment of new Medical Colleges attached with existing district/referral hospitals, 58 districts in 20 States/UTs have been identified to establish new Medical Colleges attached with existing district/referral hospitals as per Annexure-II. Out of these, 55 have been approved till date. Funds to the tune of Rs.4357.42 crore have been released to the State Governments for the approved districts under the Scheme as per Annexure-III.

(c): The data pertaining to shortage of faculty members/teachers in the specialised streams in various medical colleges of State Governments is not maintained Centrally. To increase the availability of faculty in Medical Colleges in the Country, the following steps has been taken:
I. The ratio of teachers to students as been revised from 1:1 to 1:2 for all MD/MS disciplines and 1:1 to 1:3 in subject of Anaesthesiology, Forensic Medicine, Radiotherapy, Medical Oncology, Surgical Oncology and Psychiatry. Further, teacher: student ratio in public funded Government Medical Colleges for Professor has been increased from 1:2 to 1:3 in all clinical subjects and for Asso. Prof. From 1:1 to 1:2 if the Asso. Prof. is a unit head.

II. DNB qualification has been recognized for appointment as faculty to take care of shortage of faculty.

III. Enhancement of age limit for appointment/extension/ re-employment against posts of teachers/dean/principal/director in medical colleges form 65-70 years.

IV. Removal of embargo/rider imposed on foreign qualified PG Doctors from five English speaking nations i.e. US, UK, Canada, Australia and New Zealand in case of taking teaching profession. They are now allowed to take up the post of Assistant Professor in respective department.

V. Assured Career Progression Scheme for faculty of Central Government Institutions has been revised to make it more beneficial.

VI. Various allowance available to faculty like Non Practicing Allowance, Conveyance Allowance, Learning Resource Allowance, etc. have been enhanced considerably.

VII. The Central Government is implementing a Centrally Sponsored Scheme for increase of PG seats in Government Medical Colleges.

(d): Under the scheme of Upgradation of existing State Government/Central Government medical colleges to increase MBBS seats in the country, 22 Medical Colleges have been approved to increase 1715 UG seats. Funds to the tune of Rs. 311.52 crore have been released to the State Governments till date and under another scheme of Strengthening and upgradation of State Government

Medical colleges for starting new PG disciplines and increasing PG seats, a total number of 72 Government Medical colleges in 21 States/ UTs are covered under the scheme for increasing PG seats. Funds to the tune of Rs.791.78 crore have been released.